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## Old-Fashioned Folk Have Disappeared and Fathers Depend on the Mothers

Even the "Old Man" Is Changing Under Family Stress Wherein Each Member Is Taking His or Her Place "in the Van of Progress."

By WINIFRED BLACK.

AS the old-fashioned father begins to disappear? Billy Sunday says the old-fashioned mother has gone and Dr. Henry Neuman, of the Brooklyn Ethical Culture Society, supplements Mr. Sunday's statement by saying that the father has lost the old ideas and that he depends too much upon the mother for the training of the children.

I wonder if these things are true, both of them, and if the fact that they are true is the reason that the old-fashioned daughter and the old-fashioned son are disappearing, too? For they are; there's no doubt of that, not a doubt in the world. Where's the old-fashioned son who started out at eighteen to make his own living, and send home a dollar or so to help "Ma" get a new black silk for Sunday and "Pa" to buy a new cultivator for the forty acres in the old wood lot? Going to college, of course, and joining fraternities, and spending more money in a month than his father spends in a year. Where's the same boy at twenty-three? Spending his summers at the seashore and his winters in the mountains and his spring in Florida, and his winter learning the new dances and telling his mother what she really must do to get his sister into really smart society. Where's the sister, who ought to be the old-fashioned daughter? At home, making angel cake for mamma's ten parties? On the piazza, brooding dollops for Aunt Susie's birthday? In the garden, cutting roses for the table? Upstairs mending father's socks. Downstairs pressing out brother's neckties?

Sister is also advanced. Not at all. She's in college, too, learning all about Hector and Priam, and higher mathematics, and the difference between astrology and astronomy. Or she's out of college; she's in a settlement, somewhere, showing somebody else's mother how to keep house and telling her what to do when the baby has the croup and going down to the jail to bail somebody else's husband out, so he'll be able to keep the family going.

Or, if she isn't in a settlement, she has a studio rooming, and is leading the literary life or painting pictures or planning suffrage parades, anywhere, doing anything, so she won't have to stay at home. Brother is the only truthful member of the family who stays at home nowadays. Sister is out hustling, whether she has to or not. Mother is delighted. She loves to have brother at home, where she can lean on him, and she's so proud of the way he dresses and she just simply can't get over it to think that he's really hers, whenever he comes home. He's a pretty little talker at an afternoon tea, and all the ladies admire him ecstatically.

And she likes to have daughter "taking her place in the van of progress," and to tell how daughter is the leader in the "Onward and Upward Movement." She doesn't quite see how daughter can be so much interested in the queer people she seems to know, but, on the whole, she takes a kind of vicarious pleasure in daughter's wild activities. And is, as a general thing, breathlessly delighted with both son and daughter—and herself. The only one of the family she doesn't quite approve of is father. Father is so mercenary, so hum-drum, so reactionary. Why he doesn't even know what you mean when you say that a thing is bourgeois, and as for "sabotage," he

## A Hint to Home Dressmakers



One feature of a dancing frock by Elise Poret may be adapted by the home dressmaker—the long ends of Dresden ribbon falling over a chiffon skirt, widely tucked. The overblouse—brazenly styled a chemise—is of gold lace over chiffon, fastened by meek little straps over the shoulders.

## Advice To Girls

By ANNIE LAURIE.

(Copyright, 1915, Newspaper Feature Service.) The Washington Times. Please publish in your paper the menu for an inexpensive wedding supper. Also state serving of same. M. L. B.

The following inexpensive supper may be found satisfactory: Boston creamed oysters, chicken or lobster salad, finger rolls or thin bread and butter sandwiches, an ice or fancy ice cream, small cakes, and black coffee.

Serving will be greatly simplified if the supper is a buffet one, with the guests serving themselves. The men may serve the women whom they escort, thus reducing the number of servants to two or even one. Bouillabaisse is served in cups specially designed for the purpose, with several saltines at the side of each cup. The oyster are served either in pite shells or on thin slices of toast without crust. The rolls should be placed on the same plate with the salad, but the fancy cakes are passed after the ice cream or tea have been served. Coffee is served midway through the last course.

Dear Annie Laurie: Some time ago I attended a party given at the home of a girl friend, and while there I introduced my escort, who has been going with me for quite a while, to another girl friend of mine. Since that time he has been giving her all his attention and does not even speak to me when he meets me on the street.

As I have done nothing at all to offend him I cannot understand his actions. Kindly advise me in this regard, and I have grown quite attached to this friend of mine.

"LONESOME" GRACE. It seems to me that as you have done nothing to offend the young man his attitude is rather ungentlemanly. However, since you have grown rather fond of him you might ask him, if you ever meet him socially, to give a reason for his attitude.

Mrs. Laurie will welcome letters of inquiry on subjects of feminine interest from young women readers of this paper, and will reply to them in these columns. They should be addressed to her care, this office.

## Forty Years of Preparation for State Ballot Augurs for Suffrage Victory in New York

Laura Puffer Morgan Points to Magnificent Organization in Empire State as Presaging Possible Success—Declares New Jersey Ballot Was Due to Defective Organization and Failure of State Federation of Labor and of Women's Clubs to Indorse Measure.

By MABEL E. WINSLOW.

"Suffrage lost in New Jersey through lack of organization," says Mrs. Laura Puffer Morgan, of the Congressional committee of the National American Woman Suffrage Association.

"If it wins in New York on November 2 it will be due to the magnificent organization of the Empire State campaign committee, working through a preparation of nearly forty years."

"In New Jersey the State Federation of Labor and the State Federation of Women's Clubs failed to indorse suffrage. These two organizations have indorsed it in New York, as in other campaign States."

"Perhaps the most vital cause for defeat in New Jersey was lack of organization, due to the shortness of the campaign. To be sure, the leaders said that if they could have had one more month victory would have been theirs, but this was New Jersey's first campaign, and it took time for the public to view such an innovation sanely. Still, in spite of this, New Jersey was not as perfectly organized as it might have been a fault due very largely to lack of time to make preparations. In some cities the work was systematic and thorough, in others it was practically nil. Newark had no

close organization, though Jersey City was well organized. "In New Jersey there are two organizations working along different lines. One is undramatic in its efforts, but none the less faithful in its efforts. The other, with less complete organization, strives for picturesque effects. In fact, since the election, prominent members of the former stated that such dramatic campaigning was a grave mistake."

**Working Forty Years.** "To tell you the truth, the national campaign committee never expected New Jersey to win woman suffrage. As far back as June, this was realized. However, we polled as many votes as we could and we feel that our cause shows tremendous strength for a first attempt. In fact, it was a triumph to have suffrage come to a vote at all."

"In New York's campaign, one fact stands out first and foremost—the wonderful organization. There the women have been working for years to secure the opportunity for a State vote on the amendment. This period, covering nearly forty years, constitutes in itself a victory for suffrage."

"Three years ago, before the legislature had voted favorably on the subject, the women were organized into the Empire State Campaign Committee, with Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt as head. Seven suffrage societies in New York State and city joined the committee, and practically all New York suffragists worked in harmony with Mrs. Catt."

**Tammany a Model.** "By June, 1915, Mrs. James Lees Laidlaw was able to announce that there were 30,000 active workers in the State, cooperating with the Empire State committee. These women worked as canvassers and district leaders. The organization was modeled in a way after that of Tammany, with assembly districts, cities and wards. Leaders in each district are held accountable for the work going on under them, and once week they report, not how many meetings were held, but how many men were pledged to vote for suffrage during that time."

"New York city has been canvassed three times. There hasn't a time been left undone. Politicians studying the organization say there has never been anything like it in history, as far as they know. We do not fear unfair methods in New York. We do fear the illiterate foreign vote. Men are giving New York

## The Growing Child.

We must always bear in mind that the child is not a finished organism, but one in process of development. The framework of an infant's body is of flexible material that is easily changed to conform with the child's habitual positions, consequently its soft little form may be readily molded and shaped by an untoward influence. On this account the little one in his helplessness ought not to be made to sleep with his head on high pillows, nor be required to lie in the same position for long without change. The human body, whether that of babe or a grown person, is provided by nature with just sufficient space internally for all its vital organs to do their work harmoniously and properly when their natural relation is left undisturbed. Any interference with normal conditions readily results in deformity. Restricting and ill-fitting garments worn about the growing form may cramp and crowd some of these delicate organs in ways to decrease their working space and cause serious and permanent displacement. —Mrs. E. E. Kellogg, in "Good Health."

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## Training Backward Children

By DR. L. K. HIRSHBERG.

(Copyright, 1915, Newspaper Feature Service.) BACKWARD children are jewels to their loving parents no less than the alert child of normal physique. "Better," thinks the mother, "that my child be backward than gone from my heart." An infant at two may exhibit its backwardness in various anatomical delays, such as sitting up, walking, or absent teeth. A mother cannot begin too soon to remedy the deformity. Older children needs must be given half-hour daily and individual instruction.

**Leading Child Forward.** The child is shown a short, one-syllable word, such as "but," or "house." The child's eyes are kept for a moment on the word. He is then asked to write it.

The words are gradually increased in size. Then phrases and sentences follow. The child must take the whole of it in with one glance and then write it.

The ear is similarly trained. Thirty words which rhyme are written on a card, and the child is required to choose all with a certain sound as "cat," "goat," "boat."

Then the child is asked to select two and more sounds. Again the child is asked to name any other words with exactly the same sound as those chosen. Pictures of various kinds and a series of separately written words, are then given to the child. The child is expected to arrange the words which fit the actions of the various pictures. The associations and memory of the child are also developed by these pictures. The child's reading and understanding of minute objects in the pictures are augmented by the request to select all those which have insects on them, or where laughter and friendliness appear in the faces.

**History Like Fairy-Tales.** The appreciation of grammar and parts of speech are taught gradually by writing the parts of speech, under the pictures, and explaining the action and modifying circumstances by "subject," "adjective," "verb," "article" and "object."

Practice in this is an easy way to teach grammar. History is taught by narration, as fairy tales or stories are told. Automatic and mechanical activities of the child are done away with if such games as puzzle pictures are used. Attention to several objects at once is also brought about by sending the child a short distance, or having her look out the door, and first tell all that happened or was seen, then to write it if at that stage of study—in her own words.

Perception, abstraction, mathematics, memory, imagination, invention, judgment, reasoning and calmness—anti-hysteria—is taught the child in detail.



MRS. LAURA PUFFER MORGAN.

women an absolutely fair show, a clean fight.

Polls taken by suffrage workers and newspapers as well show a preponderance in favor of suffrage. Seventy-seven per cent favored suffrage at a postal-card poll conducted by the New York World. The New York Tribune has had charge of polls at all sorts of places—motion picture houses, fashionable apartments, tenements, and hotels.

office buildings, car barns, and theaters. All these show a decided proportion in favor of suffrage. "The up-State vote is as yet an uncertain quantity. New York was our danger point, and we have concentrated there. No one at this time can say whether or not suffrage will win in the State. I only know that the fight will be close and fair, and an example of what organized women can do."

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